

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 554
By Graves

A RESOLUTION to honor Melanie Kirkham, 1998 Salutatorian of
Hendersonville High School.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this General Assembly should honor those individuals who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment have achieved excellence in their academic careers; and

WHEREAS, Melanie Kirkham is one such outstanding student who has distinguished herself as salutatorian of the 1998 graduating class at Hendersonville High School; and

WHEREAS, through long hours of diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and untiring commitment of time and talent, Melanie has achieved extraordinary academic success, and has joined the ranks of the elite students of Tennessee and our nation; and

WHEREAS, in her laudable high school career, Melanie Kirkham has earned an exceptional grade point average; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Kirkham has been the recipient of numerous awards and honors, including the Tennessee Honors Program, National Merit Semi-Finalist, the Governor's School for the Sciences and the Girl Scout Silver Award; and

WHEREAS, a highly regarded member of the school band, Melanie Kirkham was selected to the All-State Honor Band and received the Tri-M Music Honor Society Award; and

WHEREAS, Melanie Kirkham's display of intellectual prowess and inner drive surely bodes well for her future success; and

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WHEREAS, Melanie's noteworthy achievement is a great source of pride for her parents, Glenn and Nancy Kirkham, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, after graduation, Melanie plans to grace the campus of the University of Tennessee at Knoxville for the next four years; and

WHEREAS, Melanie Kirkham's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and commend 1998 Hendersonville High School Salutatorian, Melanie Kirkham, on her impressive academic achievement, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.